

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

: Group Art Unit: 2151

Vladislav OLCHANSKI et al.

: Examiner: Karen C. Tang

Appln. No.: 09/996,475

: Confirmation No.:2706

Filed: November 20, 2001

: Customer No.: 21967

For: PERFORMANCE OUTCOMES

BENCHMARKING

:

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated June 20, 2006, for two months from September 20, 2006 to November 20, 2006.

Please charge the Deposit Account No. 50-0206 in the amount of \$225.00 (small entity) for the filing fee. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this communication to Deposit Account No. 50-0206, and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

11/21/2006 MBERHE 00000202 500206 09996475 01 FC:2252 225.00 DA Patent Application No. 09/996,475 Attorney Docket No.: 58367.000003

Respectfully submitted,

Hunton & Williams LLP

Thomas E. Anderson

Registration No. 37,063

TEA/vrp

Hunton & Williams LLP 1900 K Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20006-1109

Telephone: (202) 955-1500 Facsimile: (202) 778-2201

Date: November 20, 2006